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VIA ECF

Hon. Nelson S. Román United States District Judge The Hon. Charles L. Brieant Jr. Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse 300 Quarropas St., White Plains, NY 10601-4150

Re: CrossBorder Solutions, Inc. v. MGO, Case No.: 7:20-cv-04877-NSR-JCM: Plaintiffs' Request for Leave to File Under Seal

Dear Judge Román:

We write on behalf of Plaintiffs CrossBorder Solutions, Inc. *n/k/a* Exactera Inc. and Cross Border Transactions, LLC *d/b/a* CrossBorder Solutions *n/k/a* Exactera LLC (together, "Plaintiffs" or "CrossBorder"), to request leave to file documents under seal pursuant to the parties' Stipulated Confidentiality Agreement and Protective Order, dated September 29, 2020, ECF No. 81 ("Protective Order").

In conjunction with CrossBorder's recent amendments to its Motion for Partial Summary Judgment filed contemporaneously herewith (the "Amendments"), CrossBorder respectfully requests to file under seal: (i) the Amendments (ECF No. 317); (ii) the Declaration of Stephanie Israel, dated January 19, 2024 ("1/19/24 Israel Declaration") (ECF No. 318); and (iii) the following exhibits to the 1/19/24 Israel Declaration:

- Exhibit 1 (ECF No. 318-1): An internal CrossBorder excel spreadsheet, dated in or around November 2020, containing information about CrossBorder's client base from 2017 October 2020, contract pricing and client renewals, bates-stamped XBS021167 and marked Highly Confidential under the parties' Protective Order.
- Exhibit 2 (ECF No. 318-2): An internal CrossBorder email, dated September 15, 2020, containing information about CrossBorder's client base from 2017 October 2020, contract pricing and client renewals, bates-stamped XBS027706-07 and marked Highly Confidential under the parties' Protective Order.
- Exhibit 3 (ECF No. 318-3): An internal CrossBorder email thread, dated November 7, 2020, containing information about CrossBorder's client base from 2017 October 2020, contract pricing and client renewals, bates-stamped XBS027708-10 and marked Highly Confidential under the parties' Protective Order.

- Exhibit 4 (ECF No. 318-4): An internal CrossBorder email thread, dated November 9-24, 2020, containing information about CrossBorder's client base from 2017 October 2020, contract pricing and client renewals, bates-stamped XBS027711-45 and marked Highly Confidential under the parties' Protective Order.
- Exhibit 5 (ECF No. 318-5): An internal CrossBorder email thread, dated November 24, 2020, containing information about CrossBorder's client base from 2017 October 2020, contract pricing and client renewals, bates-stamped XBS027746-77 and marked Highly Confidential under the parties' Protective Order.
- Exhibit 6 (ECF No. 318-6): An internal CrossBorder excel spreadsheet, created in connection with his litigation, containing information about over 200 CrossBorder clients, contract pricing and client renewals, bates-stamped XBS021166 and marked Highly Confidential under the parties' Protective Order.
- Exhibit 7 (ECF No. 318-7): An internal CrossBorder excel spreadsheet, created in connection with this litigation, containing information about the non-renewing clients for which CrossBorder seeks lost profits damages, along with their annual contract values, and CrossBorder's financial analysis about its total lost profits, bates-stamped XBS027506 and marked Highly Confidential under the parties' Protective Order.

Pursuant to Rule 4.A. of Your Honor's Individual Rules of Practice in Civil Cases, a party seeking to file a document under seal must address the presumption in favor of public access to judicial documents. The Second Circuit set forth the relevant standard *in Lugosch v. Pyramid Co. of Onondaga*, 435 F.3d 110 (2d Cir. 2006), under which "[t]here is a common law presumption in favor of permitting public access to judicial documents, which are those documents 'relevant to the performance of the judicial function and useful in the judicial process." *GoSMiLE, Inc. v. Dr. Jonathan Levine, D.M.D. P.C.*, 769 F. Supp. 2d 630, 649 (S.D.N.Y. 2011) (quoting *Lugosch*, 435 F.3d at 119). A court balances this common law presumption of access against competing comparisons, including "the privacy interests of those resisting disclosure." *Lugosch*, 435 F.3d at 120. Thus, the issue is whether "the privacy interests of the defendants outweigh the presumption of public access." *GoSMiLE*, 769 F. Supp. 2d at 649-50.

Here, the Amendments, the 1/19/24 Israel Declaration, and Exhibits 1-7 to the 1/19/24 Israel Declaration that CrossBorder seeks to redact and file under seal contain confidential and proprietary non-public information, including information about CrossBorder's profits, costs, clients, client renewal rates, CrossBorder's trade secret Master List at issue in this case, and the amount of damages it sustained in connection with the theft of its trade secret Master List. The parties' interests in protecting this information overcomes the presumption of access. *See, e.g., Kewazinga Corp. v. Microsoft Corp.*, No. 1:18- CV-4500-GHW, 2021 WL 1222122, at *3 (S.D.N.Y. Mar. 31, 2021) ("Courts commonly find that documents that contain trade secrets, confidential research and development information, marketing plans, revenue information, pricing information, and the like satisfy the sealing standard.") (citation omitted).

Indeed, Your Honor has previously granted CrossBorder's request to file under seal documents containing information about CrossBorder's clients and client contracts, client renewal rates, CrossBorder's trade secret Master List at issue in this case, and the amount of damages it

sustained in connection with the theft of its trade secret Master List. See, e.g., ECF Nos. 91, 268, 283, 295. Because these documents contain confidential CrossBorder information or information of the kind that Your Honor has previously ruled is deserving of protecting and restricting public access, CrossBorder respectfully requests that the Court grant its request to redact and file the Amendments and the 1/19/24 Israel Declaration under seal, and to file Exhibits 1-7 to the 1/19/24 Israel Declaration under seal.

Counsel for Defendants Macias, Gini & O'Connell, LLP and Sanjay Agarwal consent to this request to seal.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Kenneth W. Taber
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cc: All Counsel of Record (via ECF)

The Court GRANTS Plaintiffs' request to file the documents indicated herein under seal. The Court respectfully directs the Clerk of the Court to place ECF Nos. 317, 318, 318-1, 318-2, 318-3, 318-4, 318-5, 318-6, and 318-7 under seal, accessible only to the Court and the parties to the case. The Clerk of the Court is kindly directed to terminate the motion at ECF No. 352.

Dated: February 28, 2024 White Plains, NY

SO ORDERED:

HON. NELSON S. ROMAN UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE